

**REMARKS**

Applicants have amended claim 1 to remedy an informality in the claim language.  
Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request entry of the supplemental amendment.

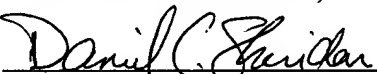
**AUTHORIZATION**

Although no fees are believed necessary for entry of the foregoing Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration and entry of this Supplemental Amendment, including any extension of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 03-1240, Order Number 17220-002.

Respectfully submitted,

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